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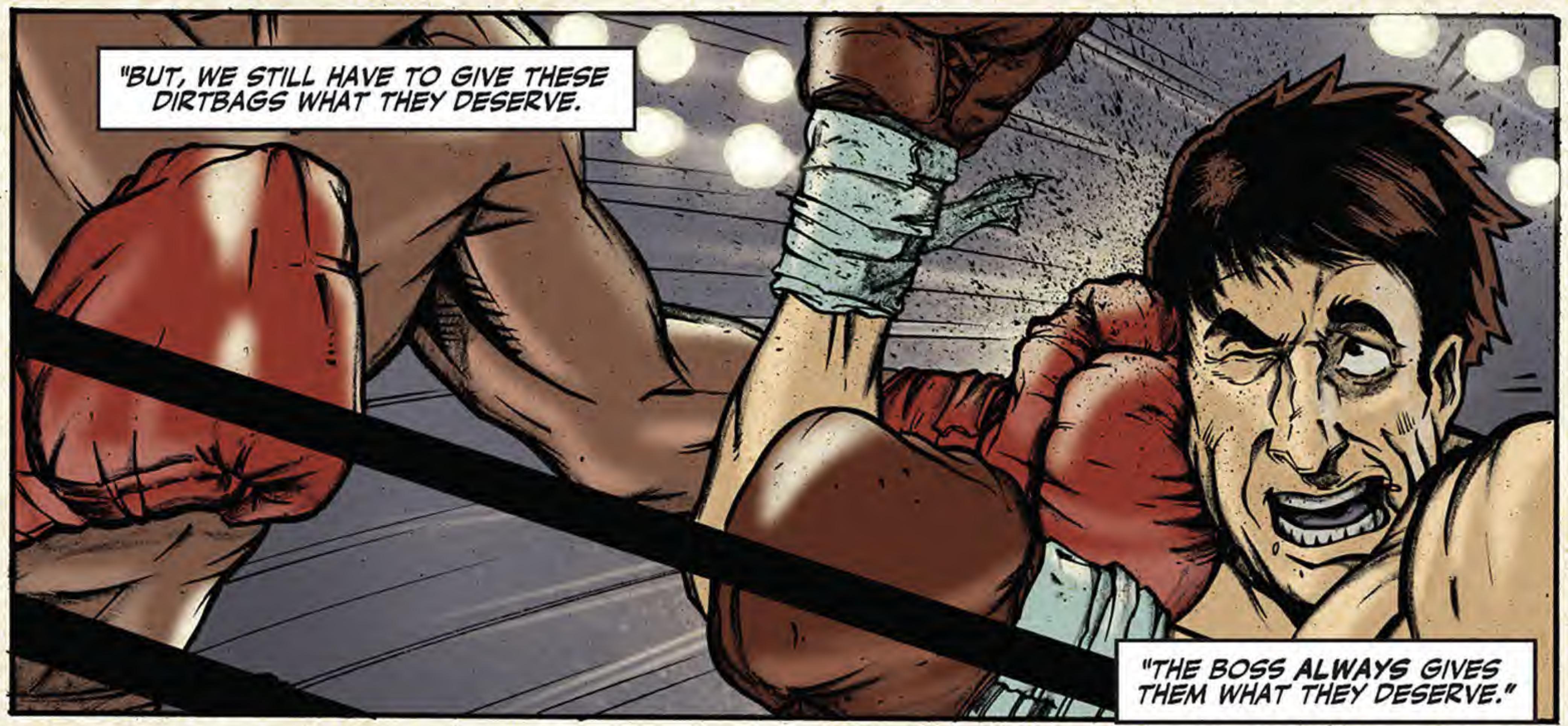
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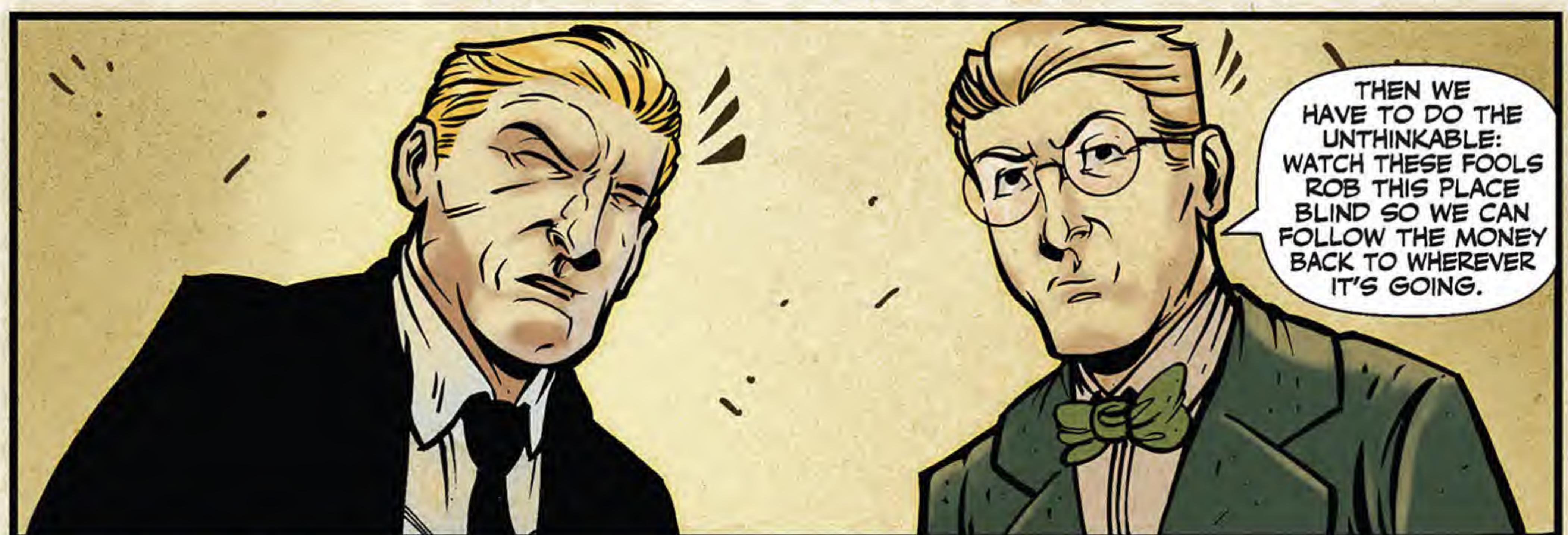
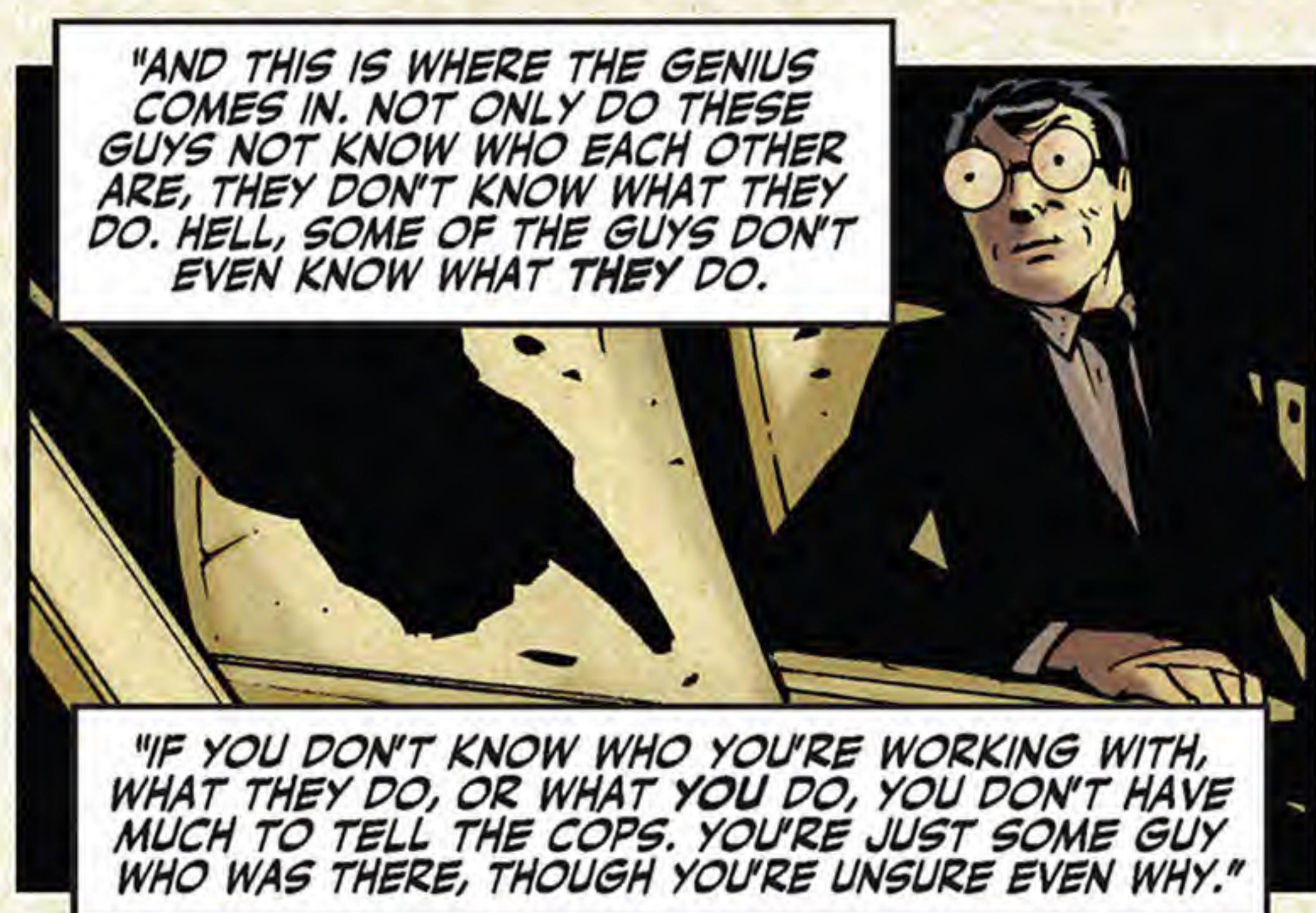
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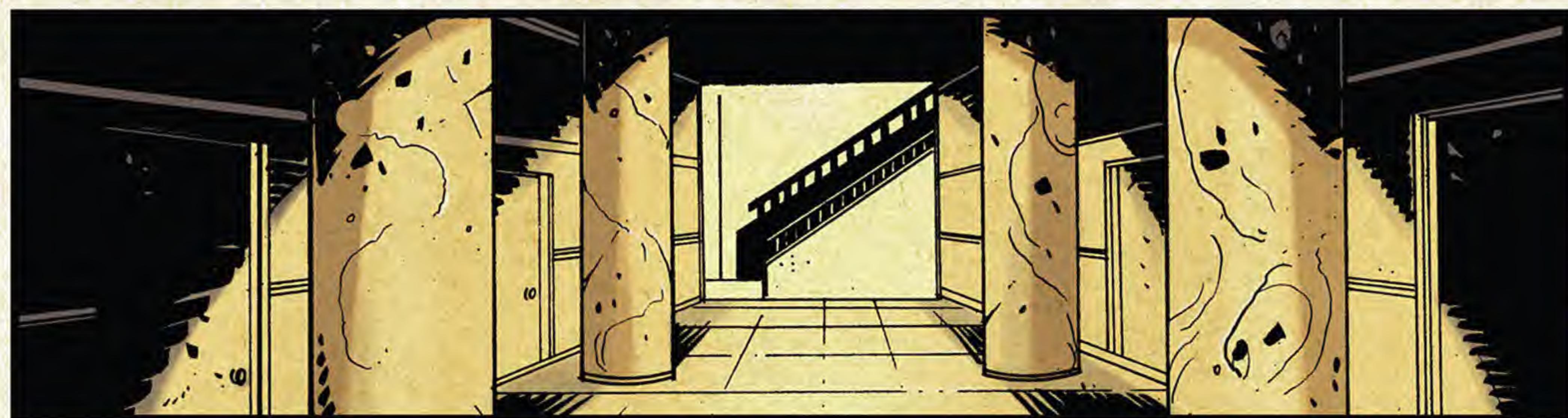
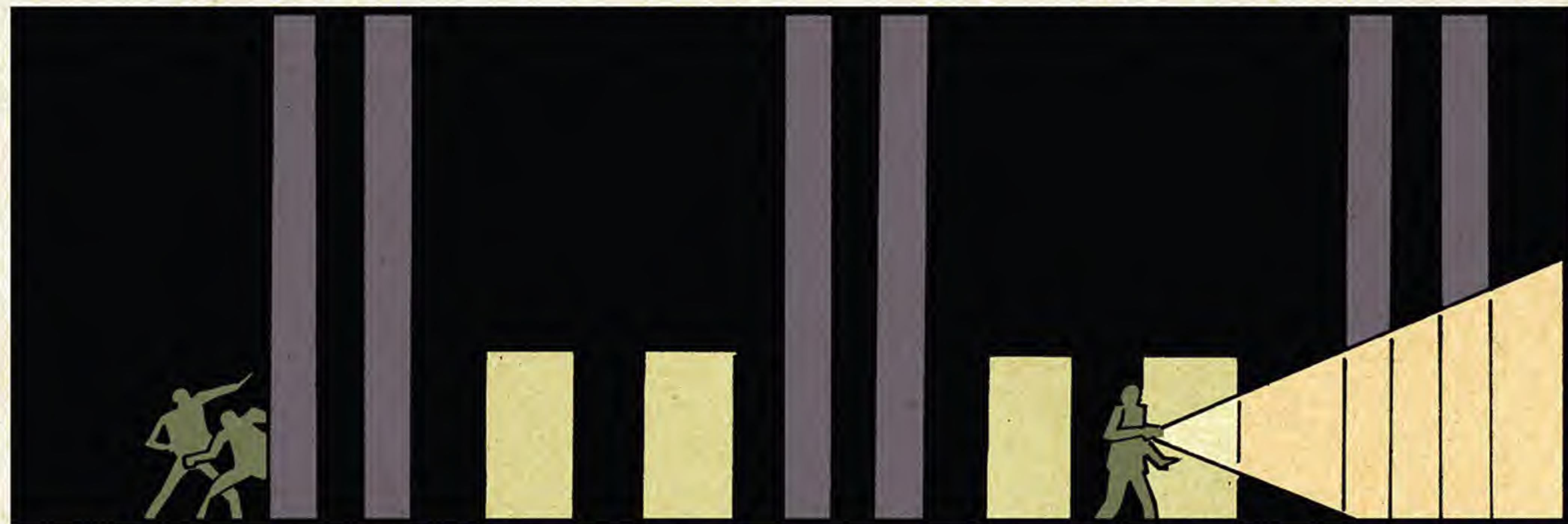
"IT'S ACTUALLY KIND OF GENIUS WHEN YOU GET RIGHT DOWN TO IT."

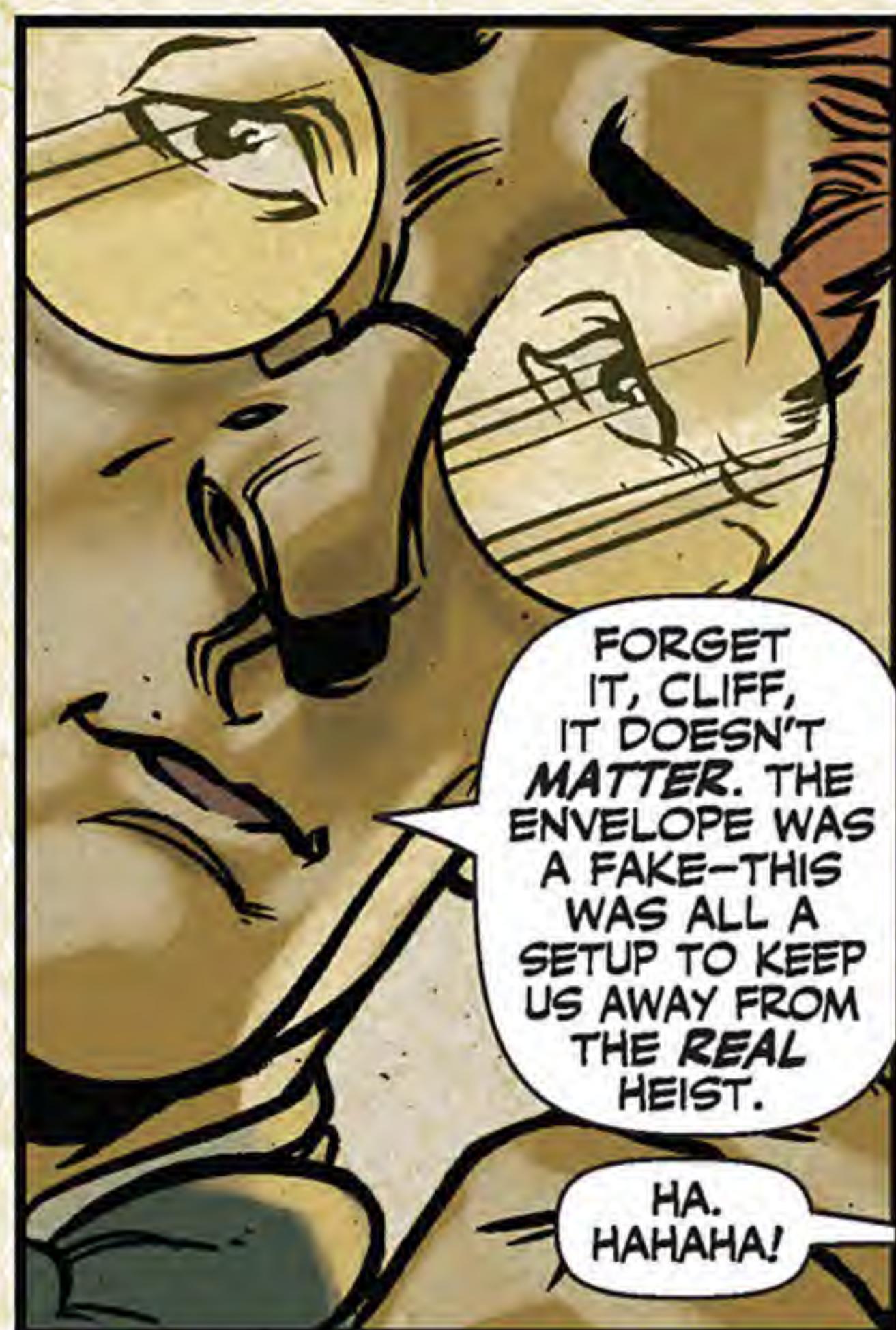


"BUT, WE STILL HAVE TO GIVE THESE DIRTBAGS WHAT THEY DESERVE."

"THE BOSS ALWAYS GIVES THEM WHAT THEY DESERVE."







"HE KNOWS."

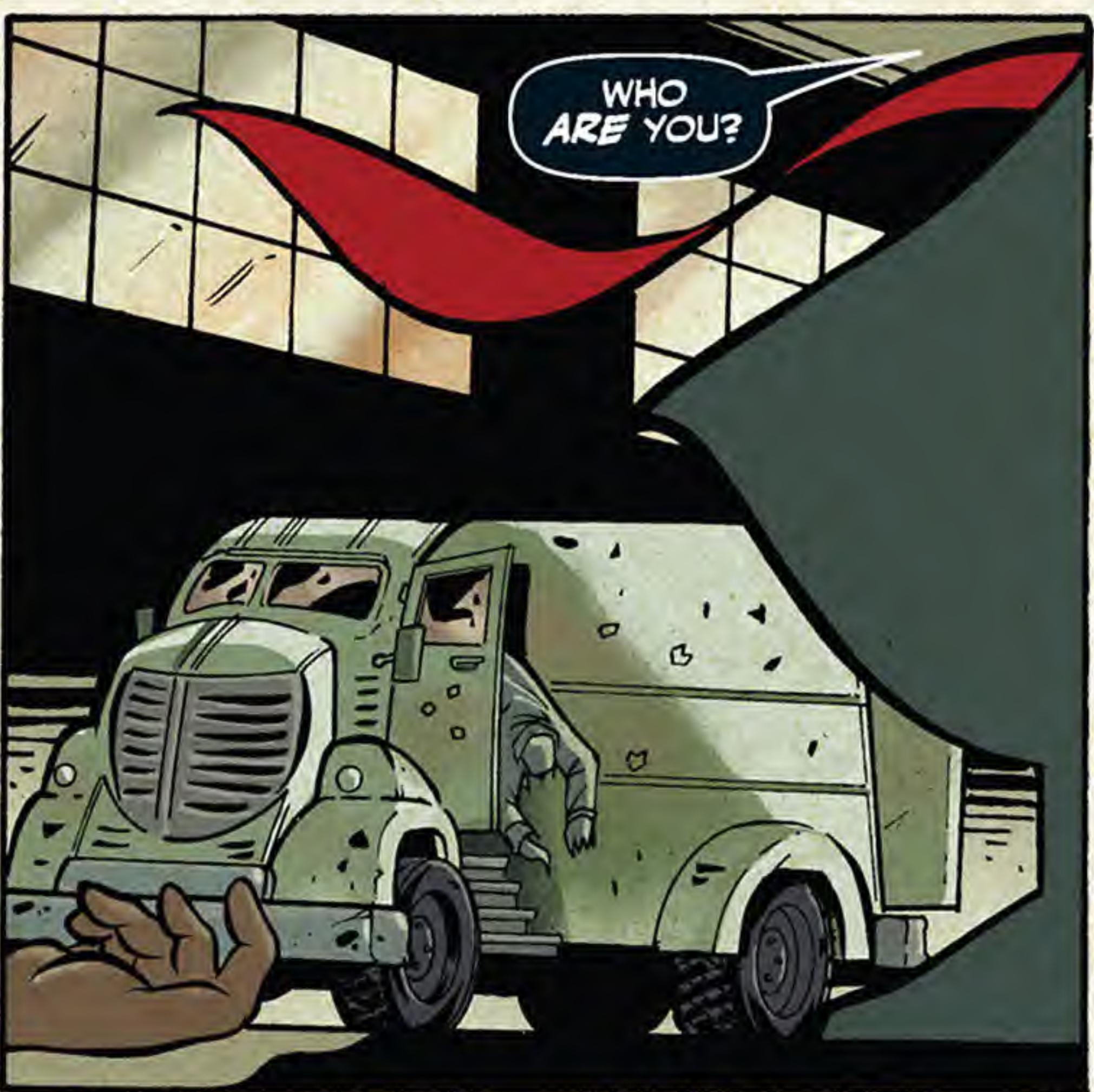
VILLAINOUS SCUM.

YOU HAVE ONE CHANCE TO LEAVE HERE WITH YOUR LIVES.

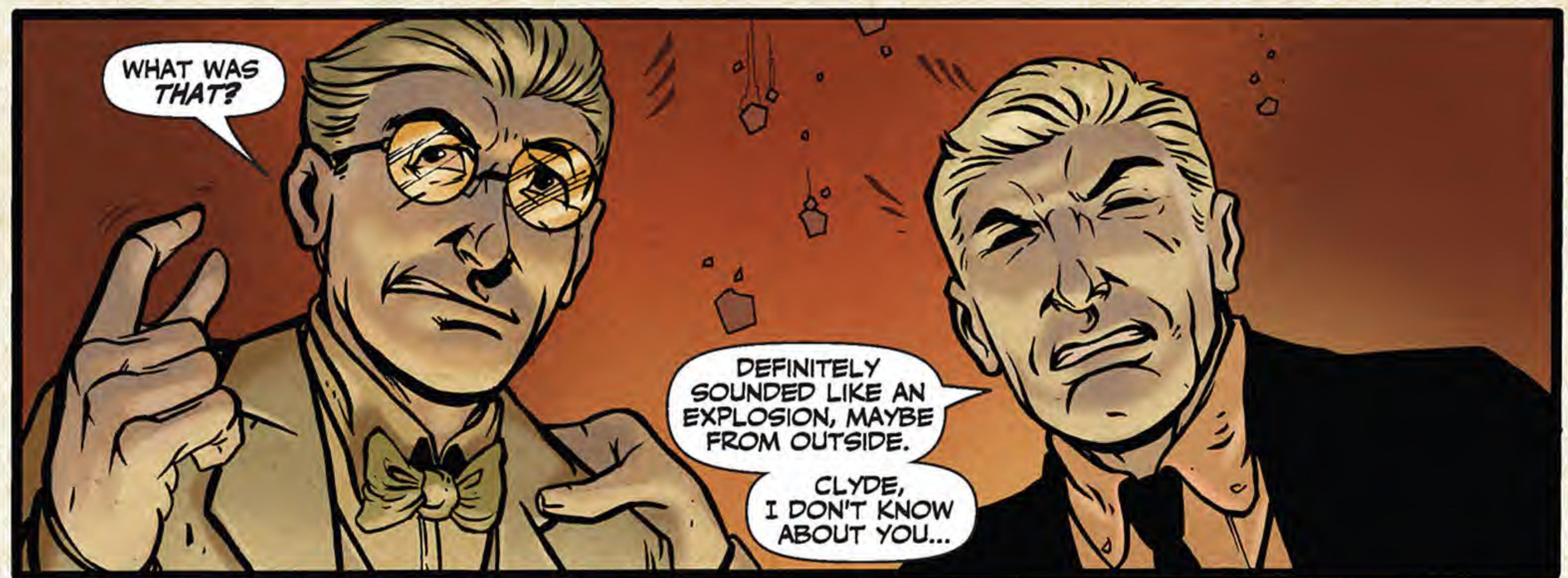
I'D TAKE IT, IF I WAS YOU.



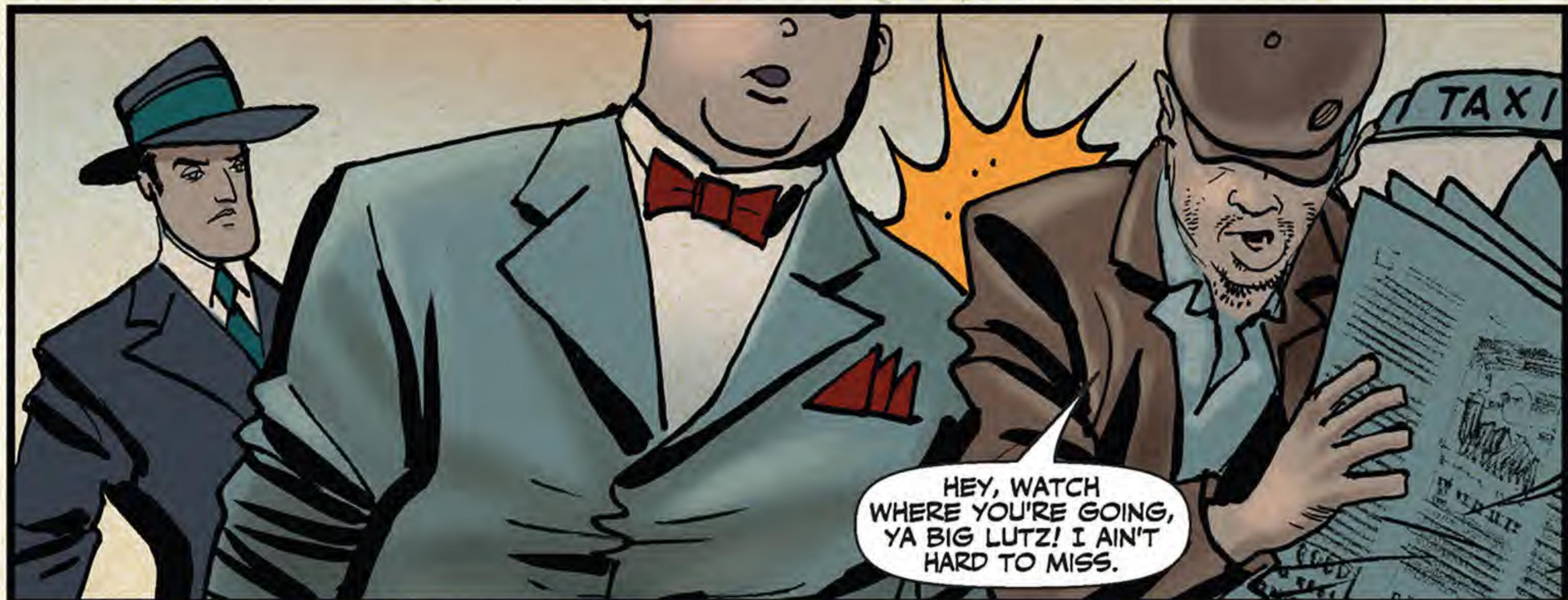


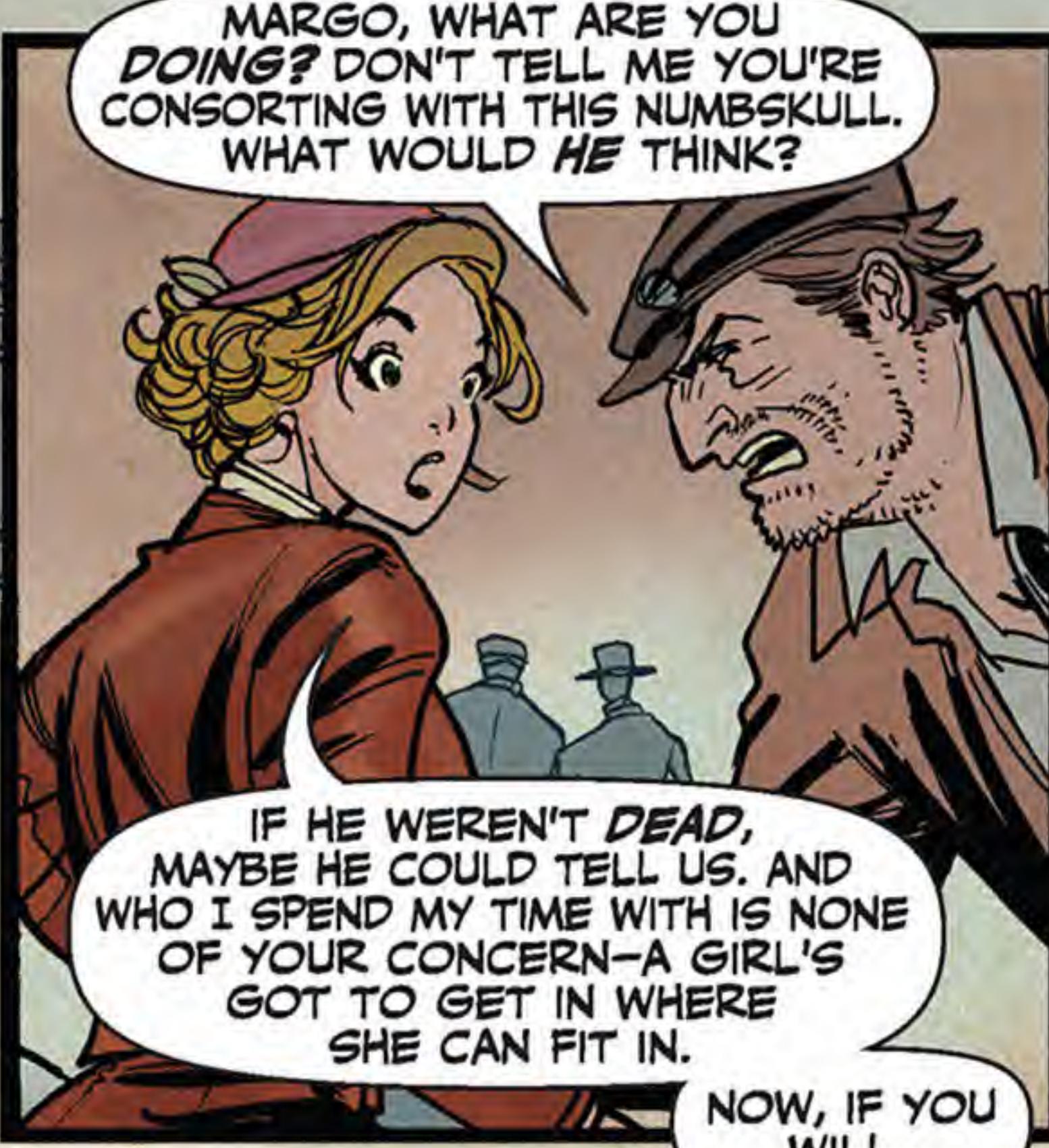


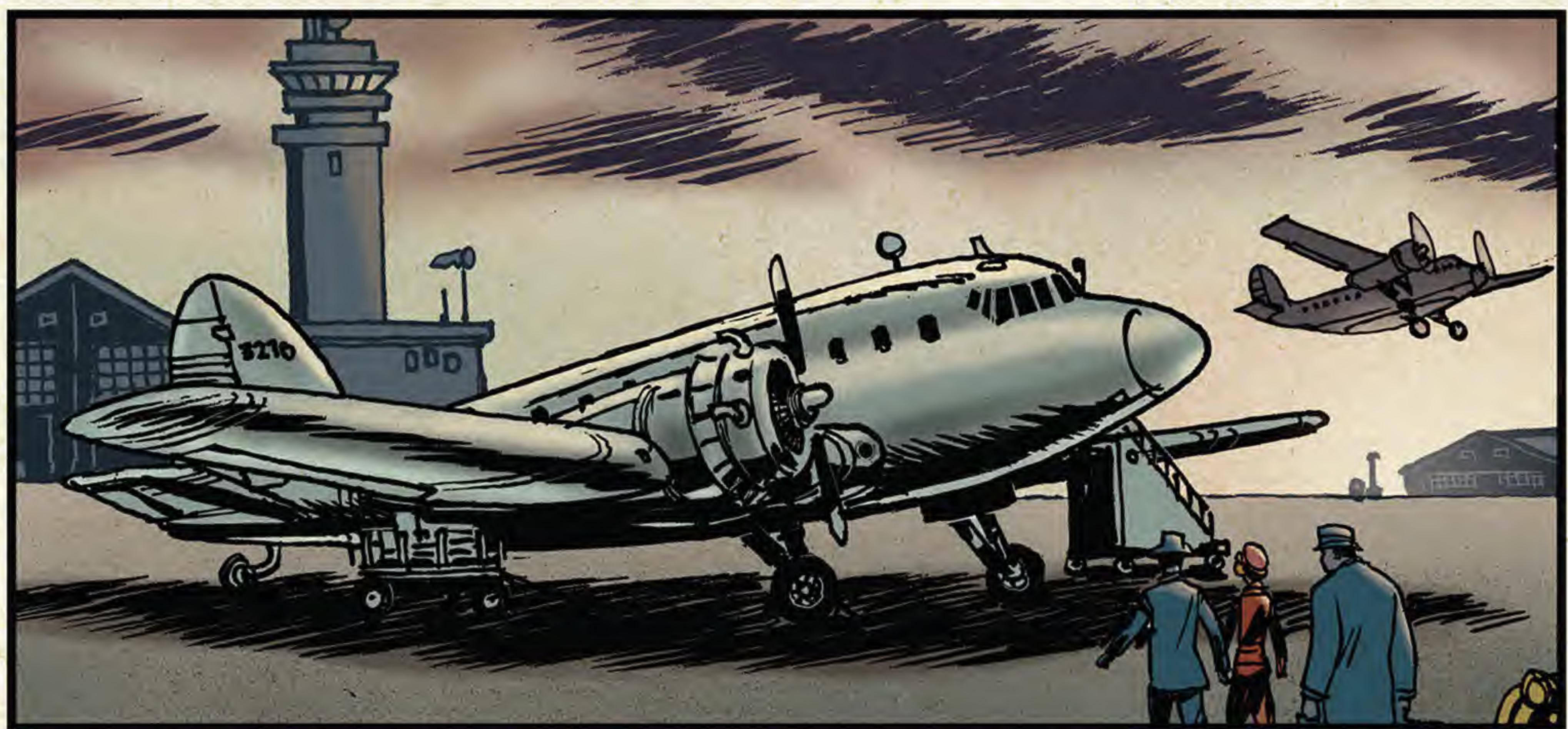


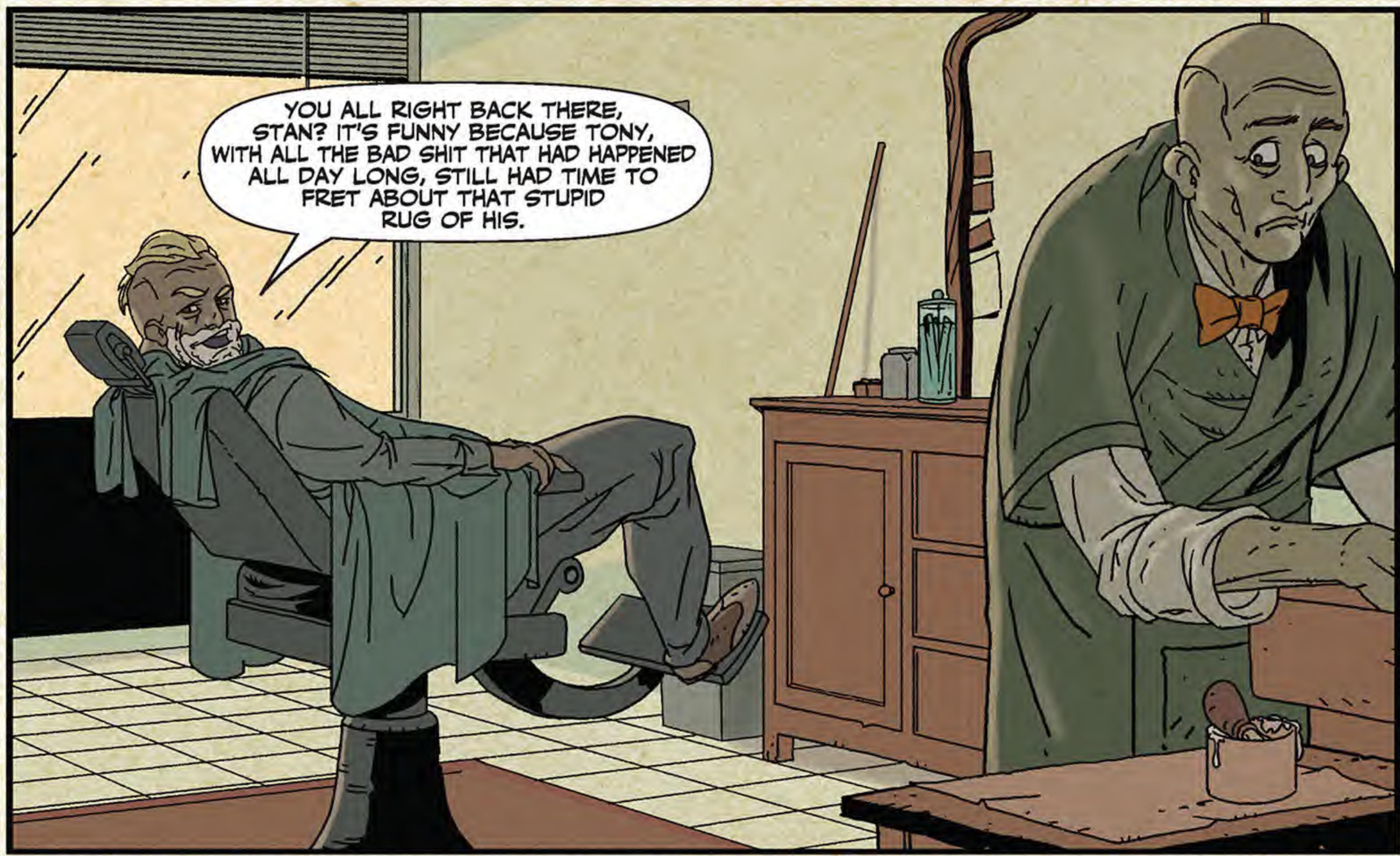


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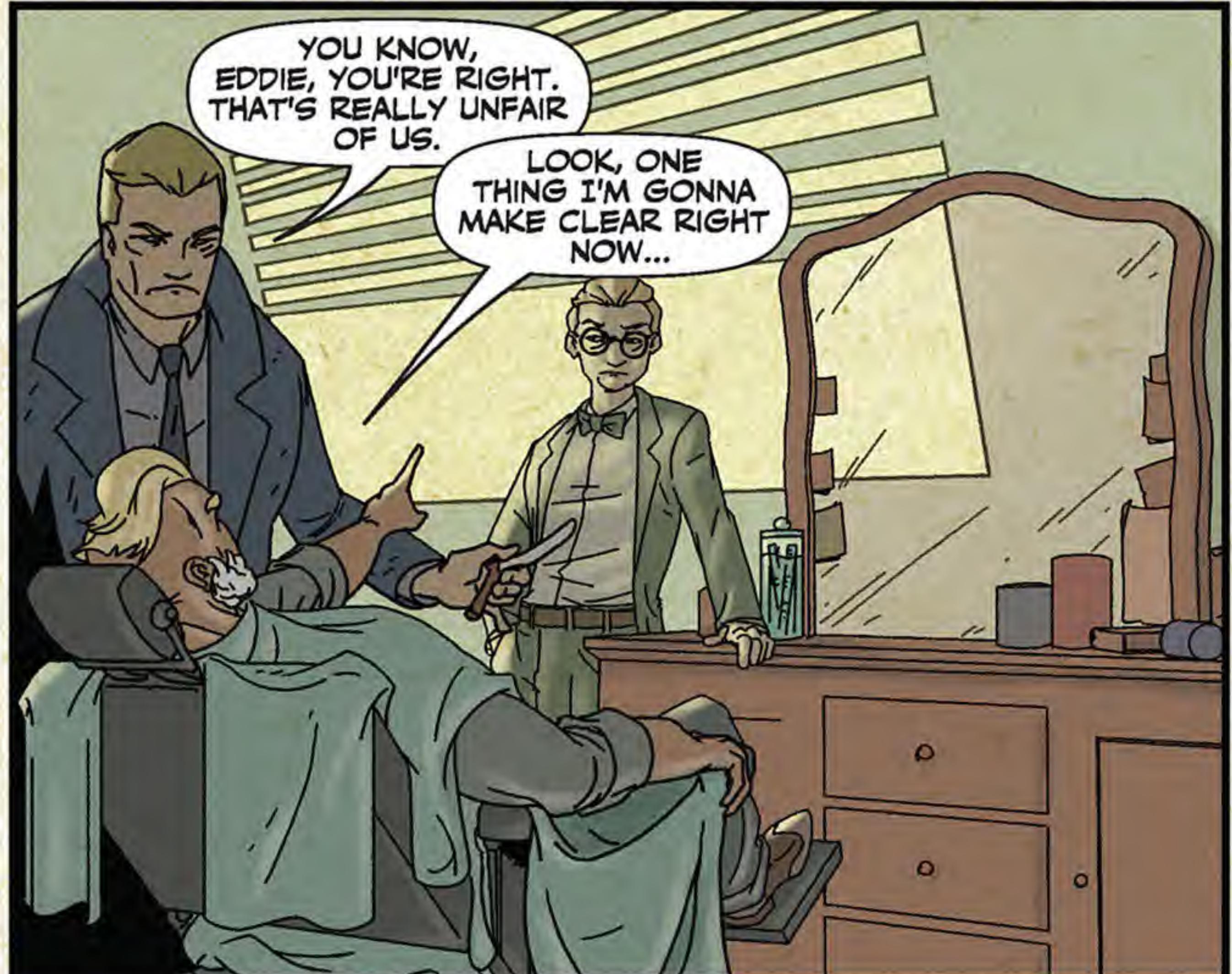
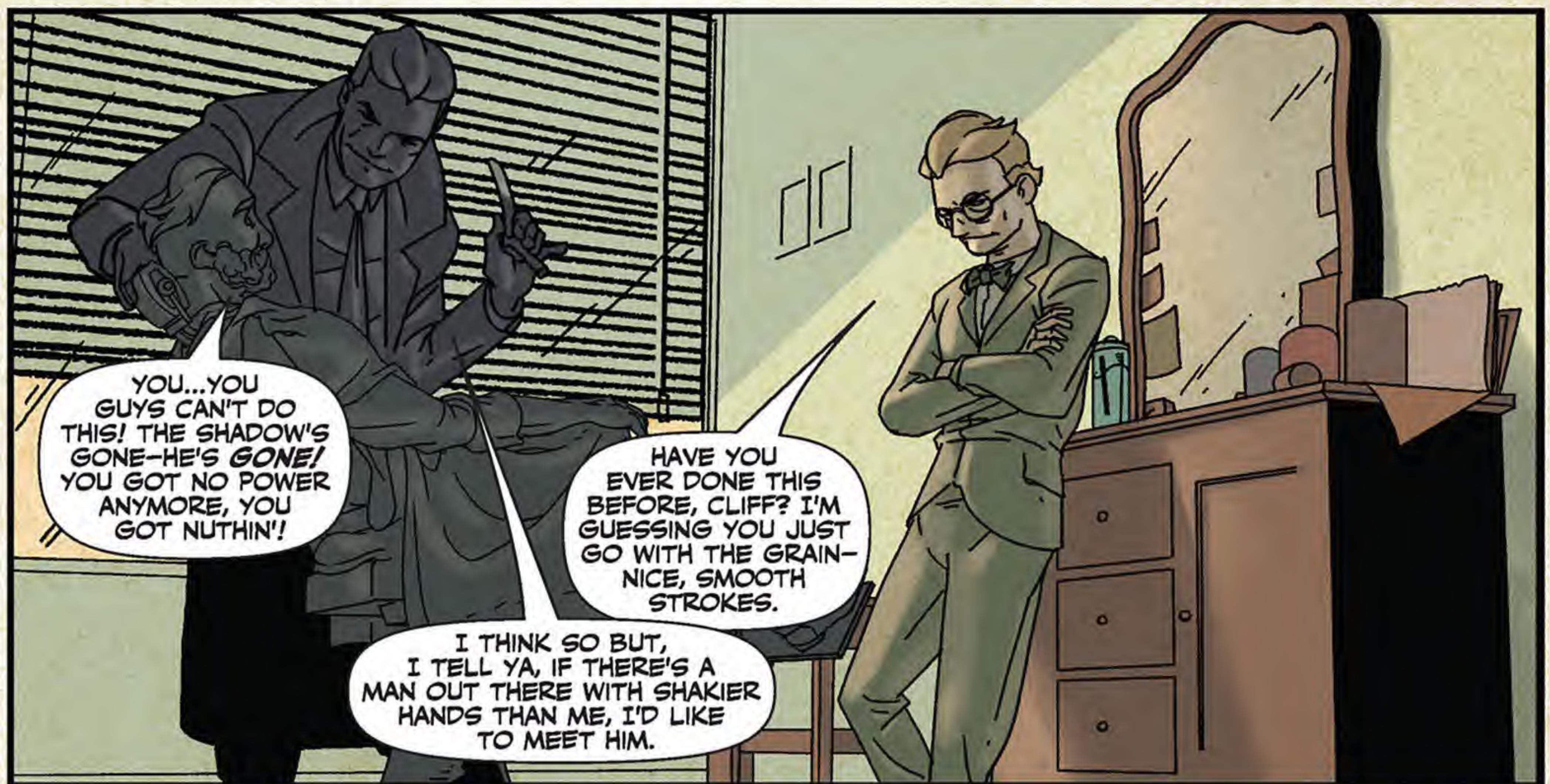












PLEASE, DON'T INSULT US. WE KNOW THAT THERE'S NO WAY THE LIKES OF YOU KNOWS WHO THE MAN BEHIND THE CURTAIN IS.

WHAT DO YOU WANT, THEN?

WELL, HERE'S THE THING. WE'VE BEEN WATCHING YOU GUYS FOR A FEW WEEKS NOW, AND WE KNOW YOU'RE PLANNING A BIG CAPER.

WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT IT IS.

DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT ANY CAPER.

YOU DISAPPOINT ME, EDDIE. CLIFF, IF YOU WOULD?

LOOK, WE DON'T CARE ABOUT THE SCORE—WE WANT TO GET THE MAN ON TOP. WHY ARE YOU EVEN PROTECTING HIM? HE BROKE UP YOUR GANGS, CUT YOUR INCOME, AND MARRED YOUR BUSINESS.

I MEAN, HIS RISING POWER IS IN PROPORTION TO YOUR DWINDLING POWER. YOU GET THAT, RIGHT?

OKAY OKAYOKAY! IT'S A BANK ROBBERY!

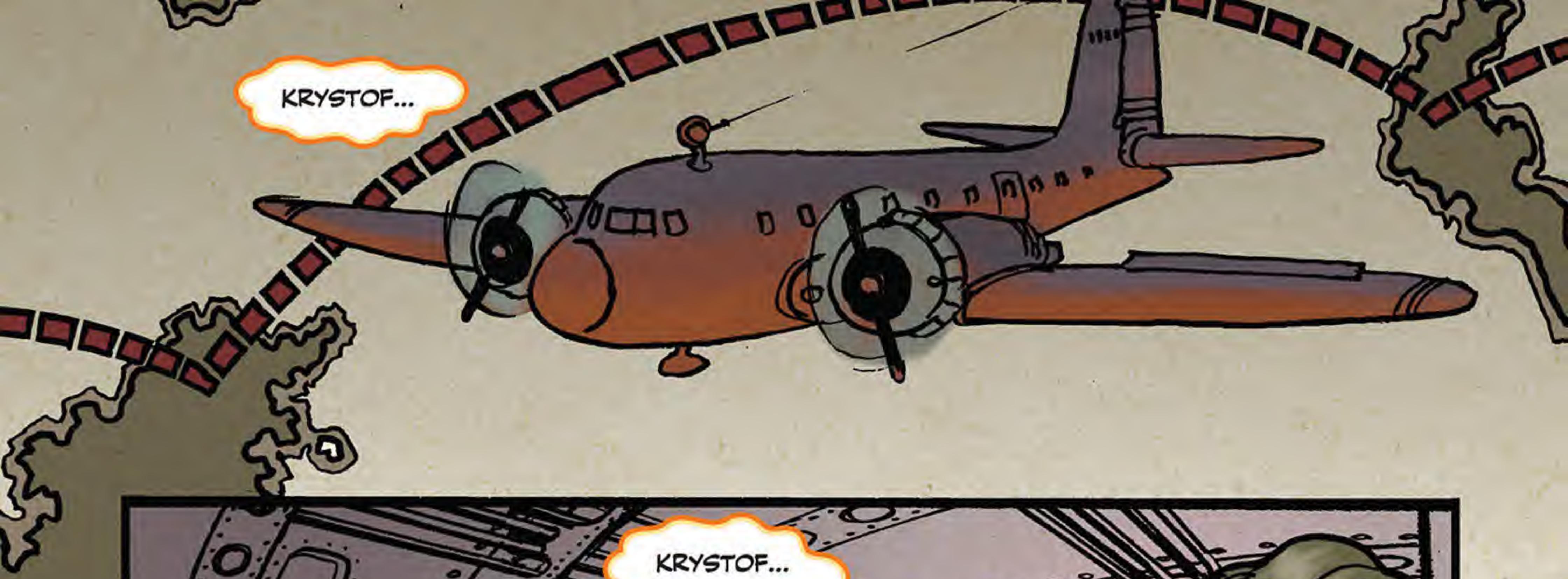
FIRST NATIONAL BANK ON THE UPPER WEST SIDE. THEY'RE DOING IT SOON, THOUGH I DON'T KNOW WHEN.

SEE, THAT WASN'T SO BAD, WAS IT?

IF YOU TELL THEM TO CHANGE PLANS BECAUSE OF WHAT JUST HAPPENED, WE'LL COME AFTER YOU. WE REALLY WILL.

THAT'S IF THEY DON'T KILL YOU FOR SPILLING TO US.

KRYSTOF...



KRYSTOF...



KRYSTOF.

MASTER.



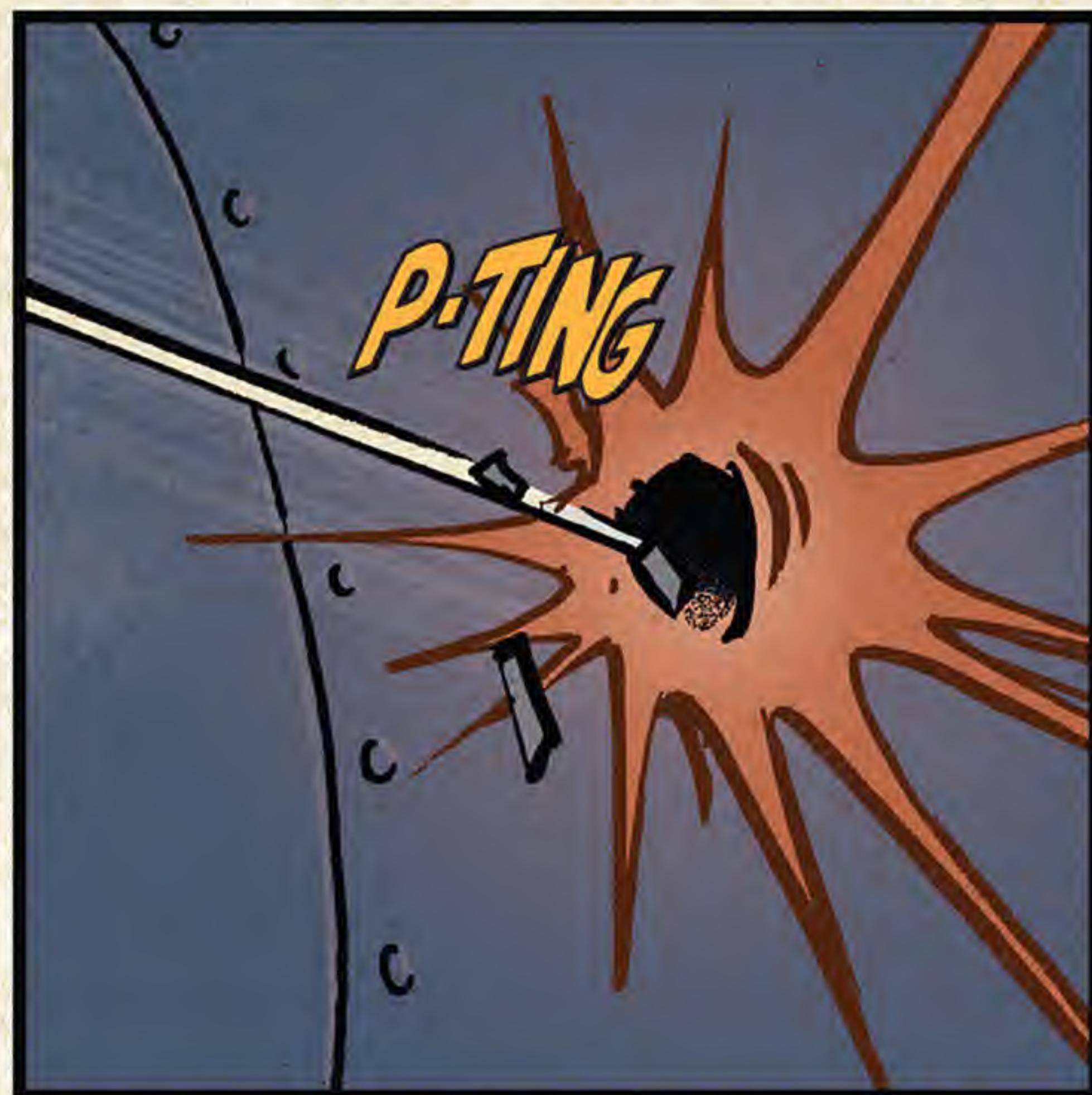
I'M
ON MY WAY,
MASTER.



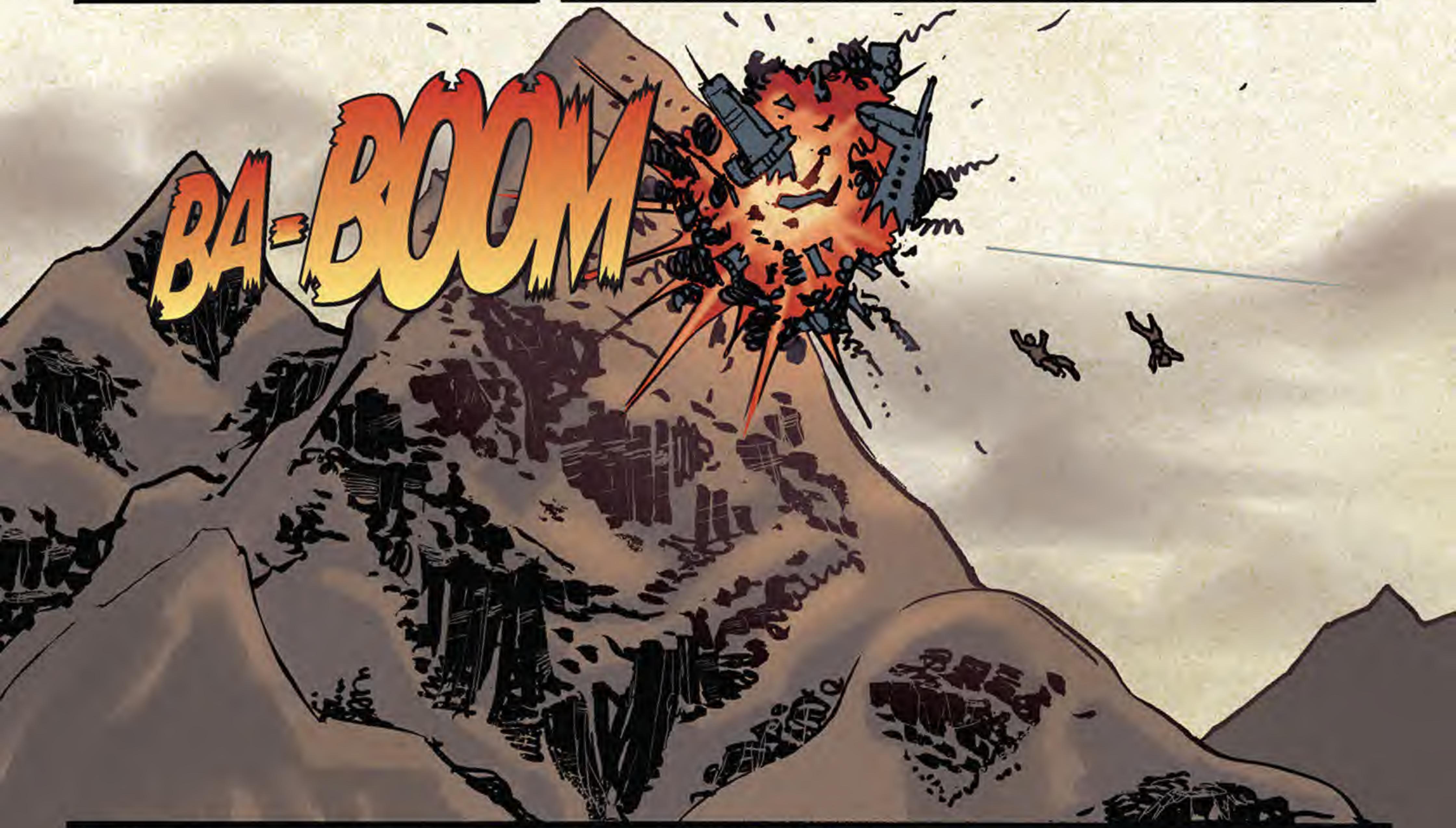




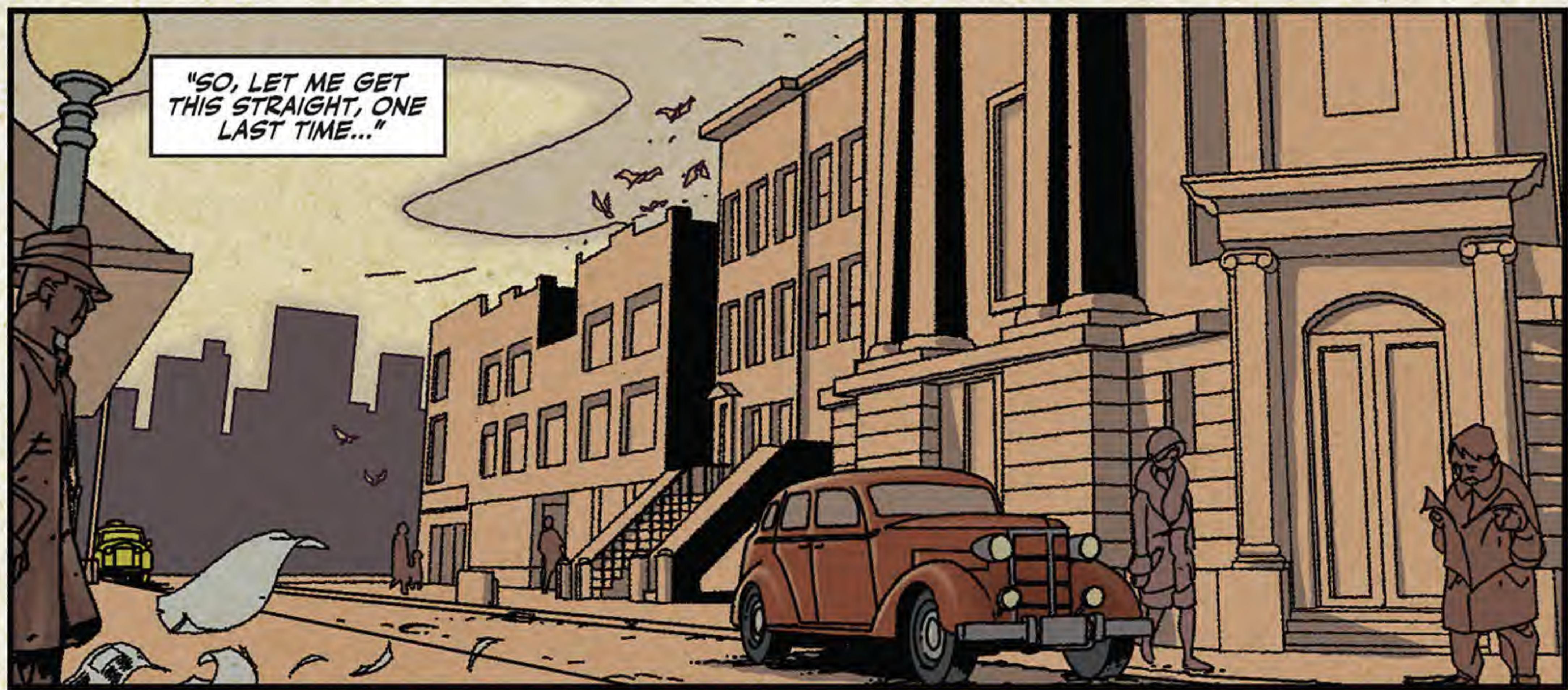








"SO, LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT, ONE LAST TIME..."



YOU FELLAS KNOW THERE'S A BANK ROBBERY GOING ON, MAYBE THE BIGGEST IN OUR FINE CITY'S HISTORY, AND YOU'RE NOT GOING TO DO ANYTHING?

YOU GOT IT.



WE NEED TO FOLLOW WHERE THE MONEY'S GOING, MOE. THEN, WE CAN DO EVEN BETTER THAN STOP ONE ROBBERY—WE CAN BRING THIS ENTIRE OPERATION TO ITS KNEES.

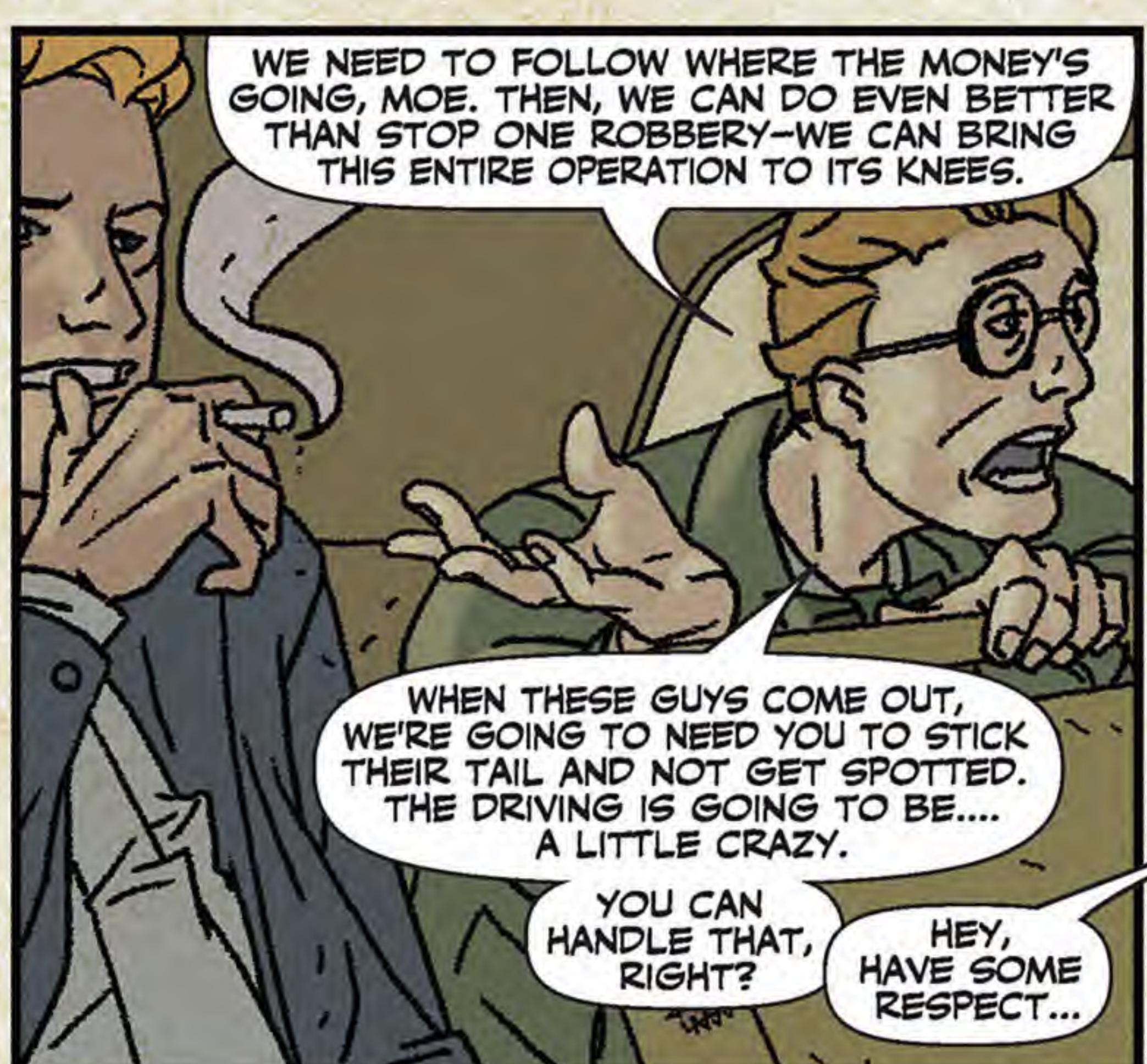
WHEN THESE GUYS COME OUT, WE'RE GOING TO NEED YOU TO STICK THEIR TAIL AND NOT GET SPOTTED. THE DRIVING IS GOING TO BE.... A LITTLE CRAZY.

YOU CAN HANDLE THAT, RIGHT?

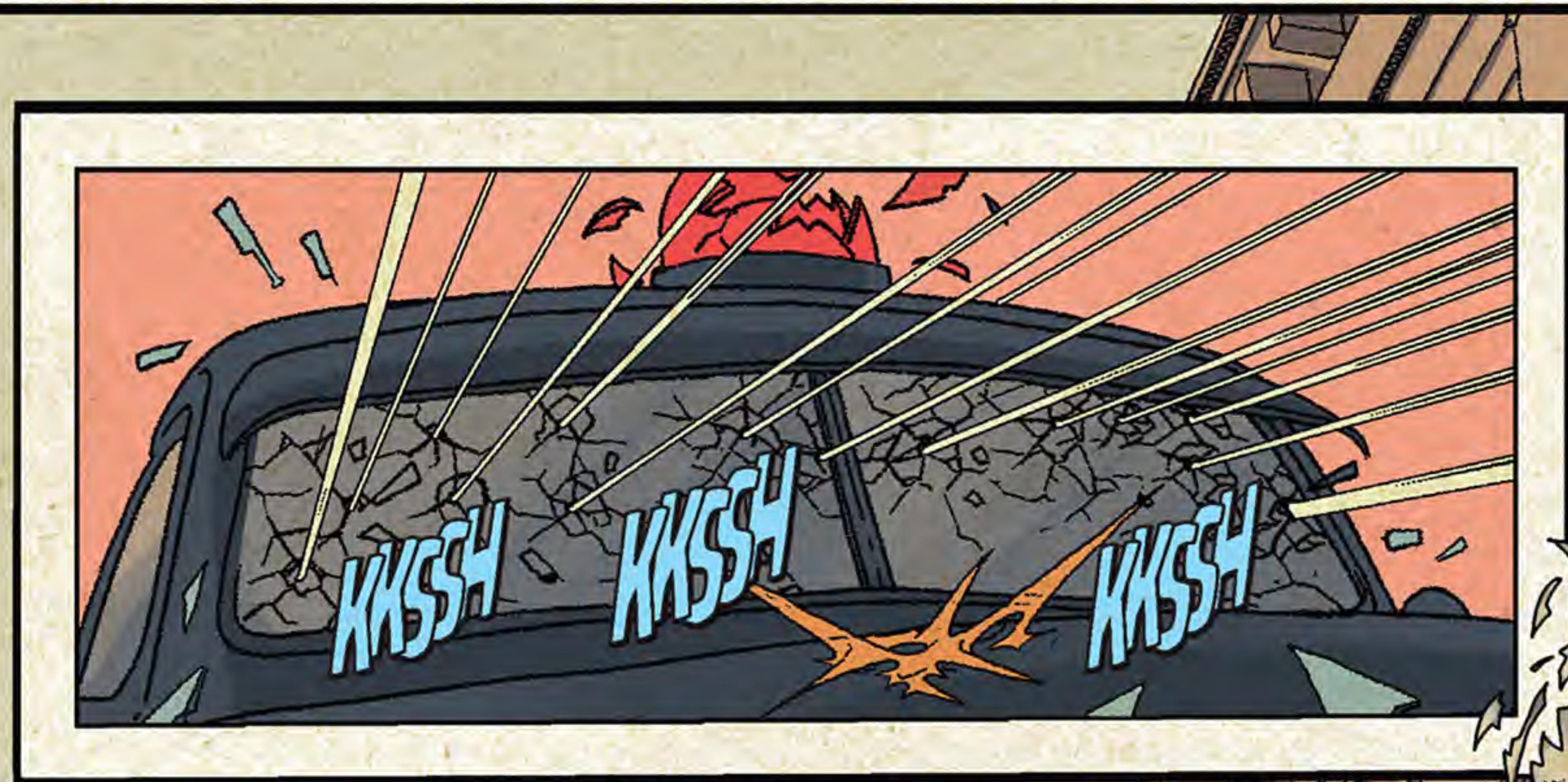
HEY, HAVE SOME RESPECT...

YOU'RE TALKING TO A VETERAN NEW YORK CAB DRIVER HERE.

BESIDES, WE'D LOOK MORE OUT OF PLACE IF I WASN'T DRIVING ERRATIC.













"DO YOU EVEN KNOW WHERE WE ARE?"

SURE I DO. WHEN WE CRASHED, WE WERE ABOUT 25 MILES FROM CIVILIZATION.

NOW, I'D SAY WE'RE ABOUT 24 MILES FROM CIVILIZATION.

MILES, LOOK...WE'RE NOT GOING TO MAKE IT. IT'S GOING TO BE NIGHT SOON, AND--

LISTEN TO ME, THAT KIND OF TALK WON'T DO US ANY GOOD.

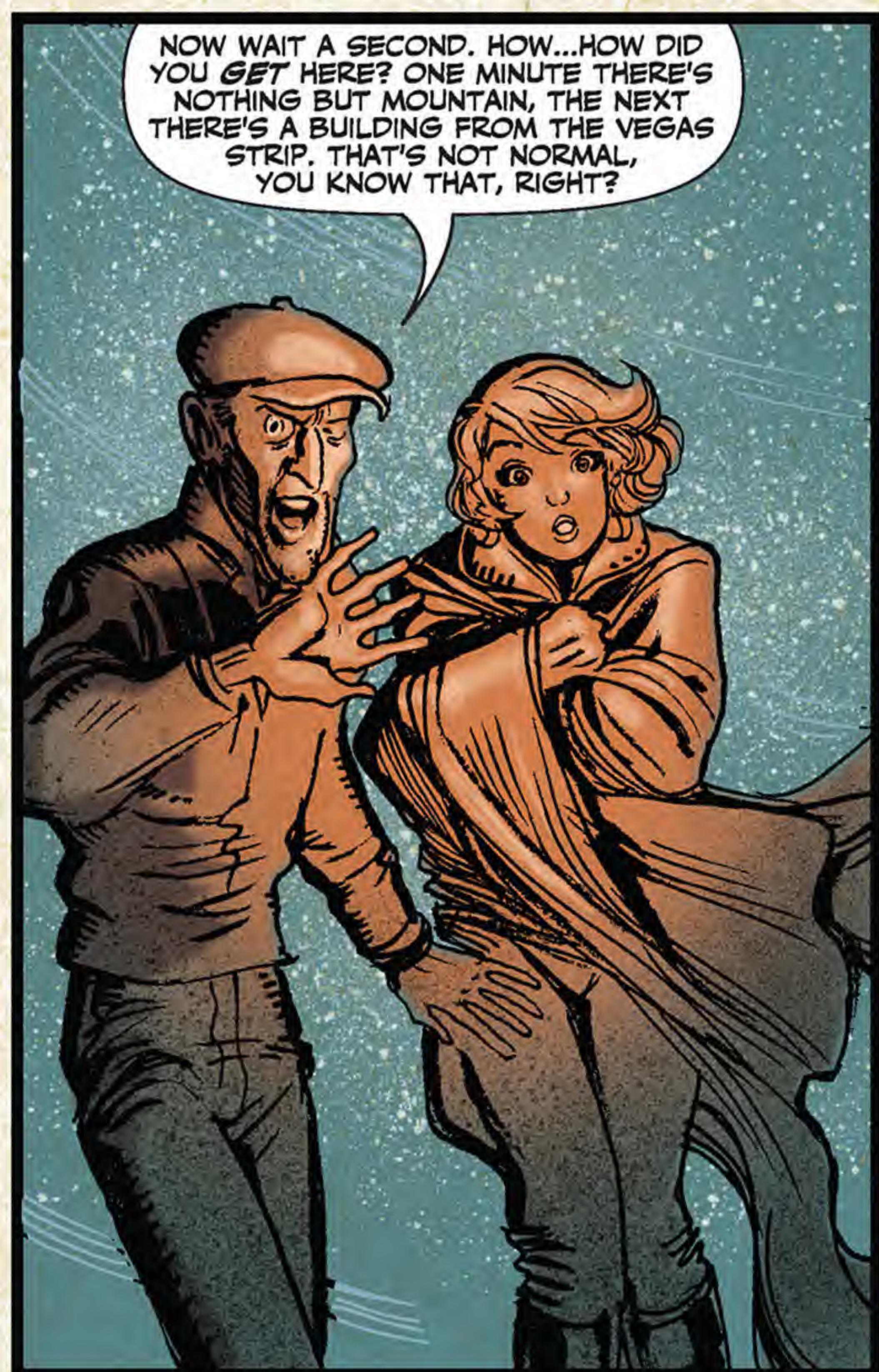
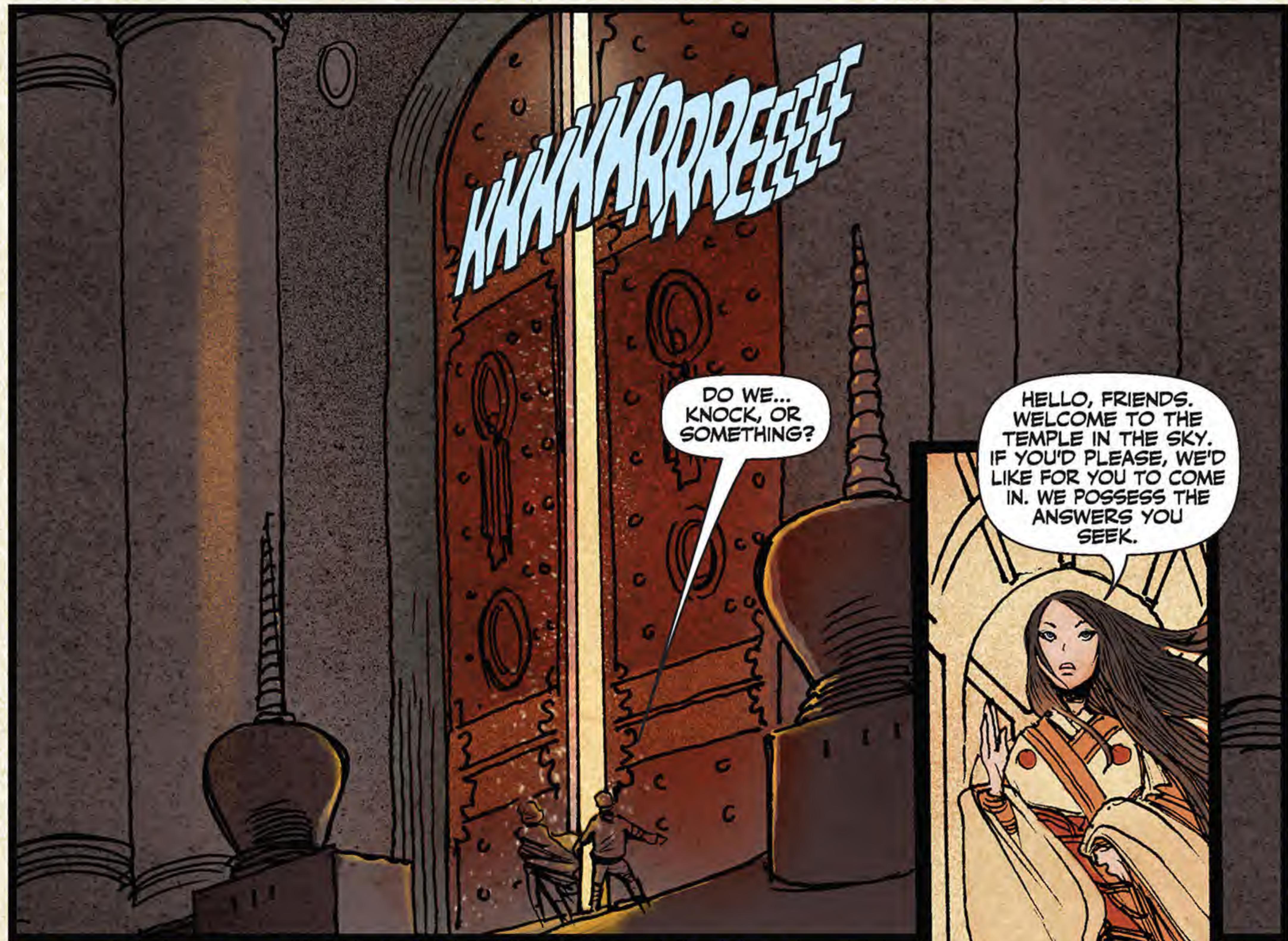
JUST CONCENTRATE ON ONE STEP AT A TIME, KEEP MOVING FORWARD AND--

HEY, ARE YOU PAYING ATTENTION?

UH, MILES... DO MIRAGES HAPPEN JUST IN THE DESERT, OR IN OTHER PLACES AS WELL?

I'M NOT SURE. WHY?







YEARS AGO,
I TRAINED A MAN
WHO WAS MUCH LIKE
THE MAN YOU SERVE,
THE ONE WHO NOW
CALLS HIMSELF
THE SHADOW.



LIKE THE SHADOW, THIS MAN HAD DONE
MANY EVIL THINGS IN HIS LIFE. HE WAS
MERCILESS IN HIS CONQUESTS, BRUTAL
IN HIS VANQUISHING OF ENEMIES.

BUT, IN HIS HEART,
HE LONGED FOR ATONEMENT.
HE WANTED TO BE FREE OF HIMSELF—
HE WANTED TO TRANSFORM
EXACTLY AS LAMONT
CRANSTON HAD.



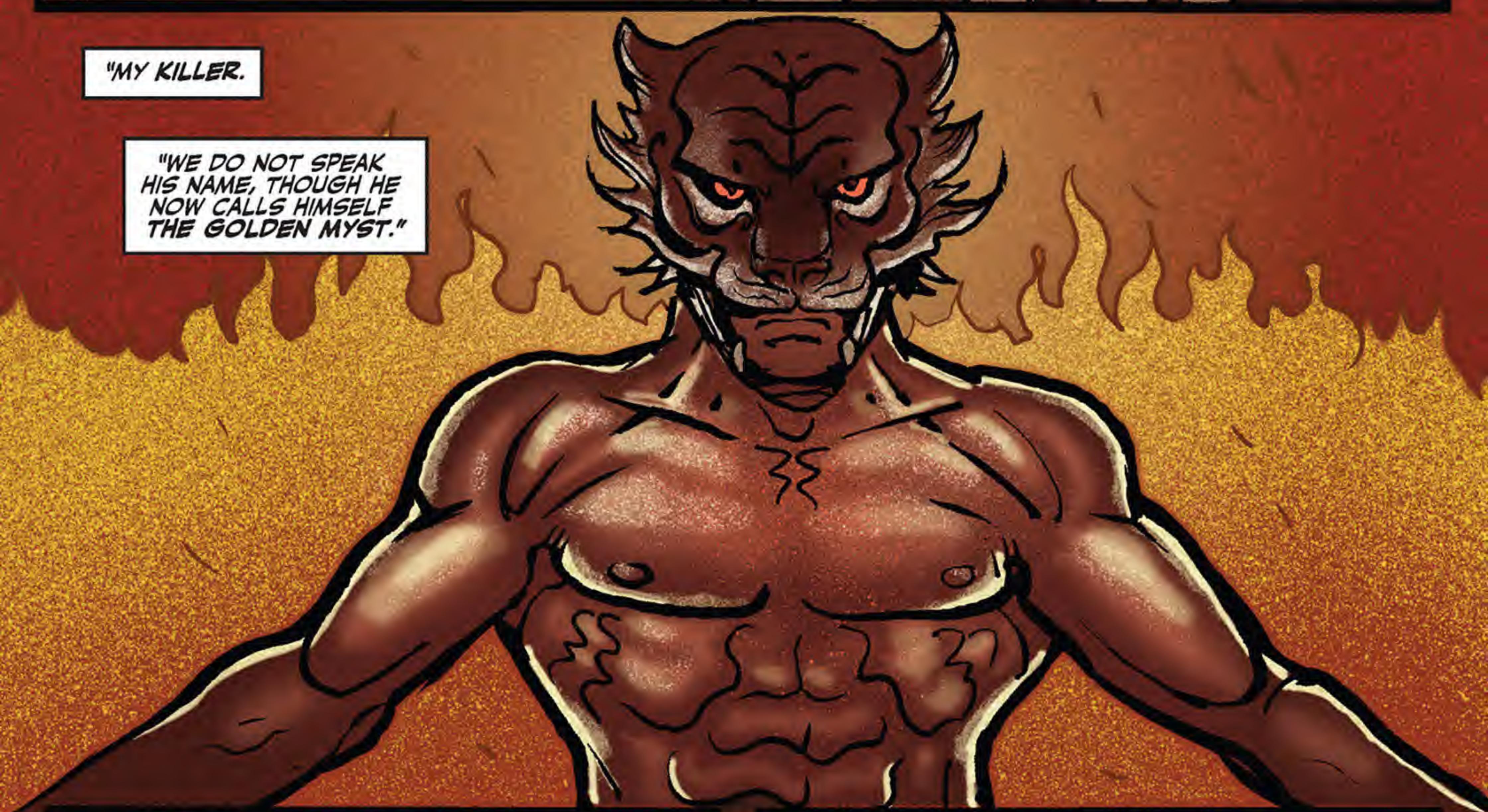
"I TRAINED HIM.



"I BROUGHT HIM
SPIRITUALITY."



I TAUGHT HIM
THE WAYS OF OUR
TEMPLE.



CHOW LEE, WAIT—
WHILE WE'RE DEFINITELY
EAGER TO STAB EVIL IN
ITS HEART, WE HAVE TO
ACTUALLY GET IN
FRONT OF HIM

HOW DO WE
GET BACK TO
NEW YORK?

I'VE CONTACTED A FRIEND—
HE'S WAITING FOR YOU ON
THE EASTERN SLOPE
OF THIS MOUNTAIN.

HE WILL TAKE
YOU WHERE YOU
NEED TO BE.

YOU MUST HURRY,
THOUGH—YOUR FRIENDS
ARE IN DANGER.

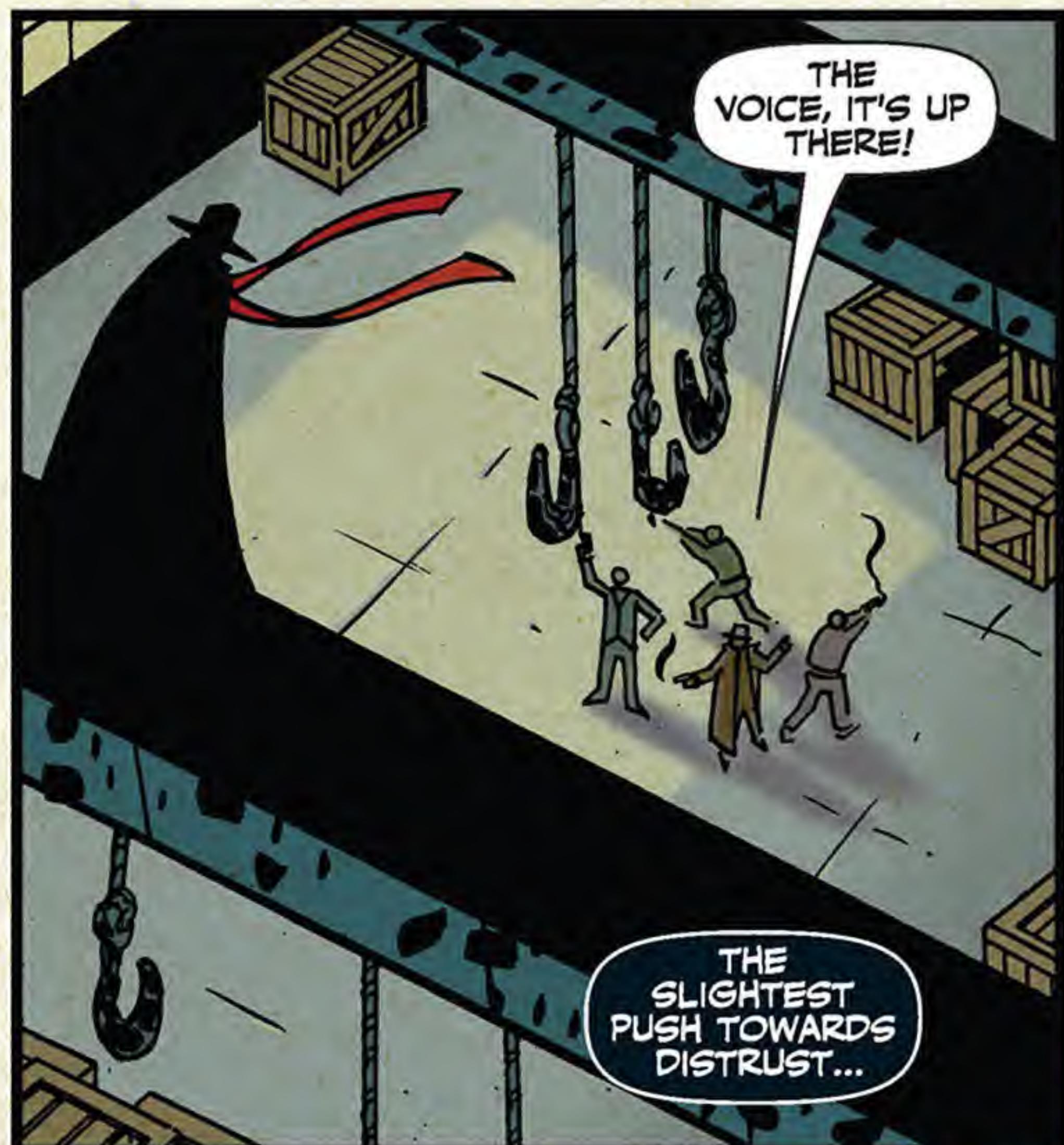
THAT WAS
STRANGE.

YEAH,
BUT I'VE SEEN
STRANGER.

NOW LET'S FIND
THIS GOLDEN MYST AND
GIVE HIM THE JUSTICE HE
DESERVES.

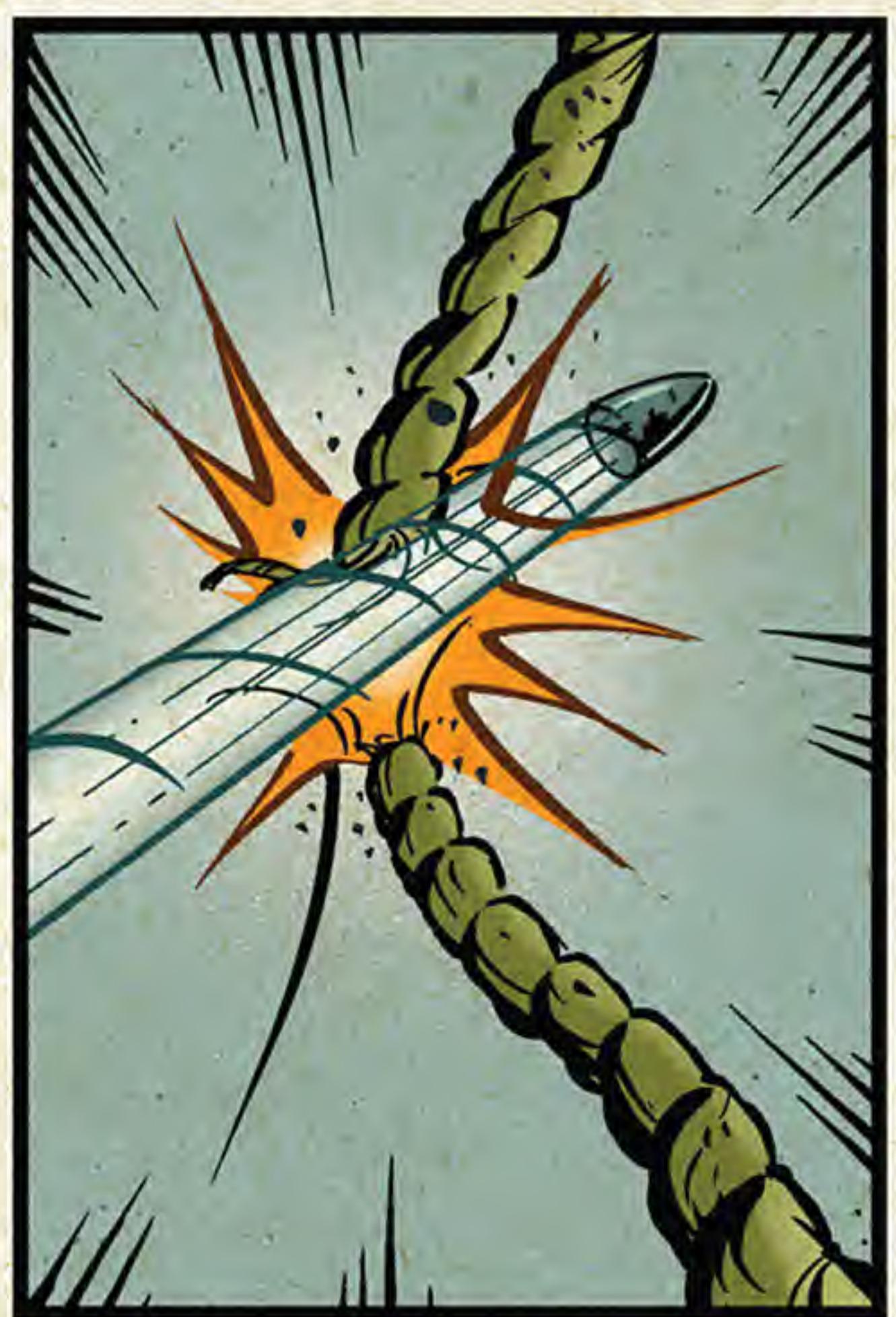


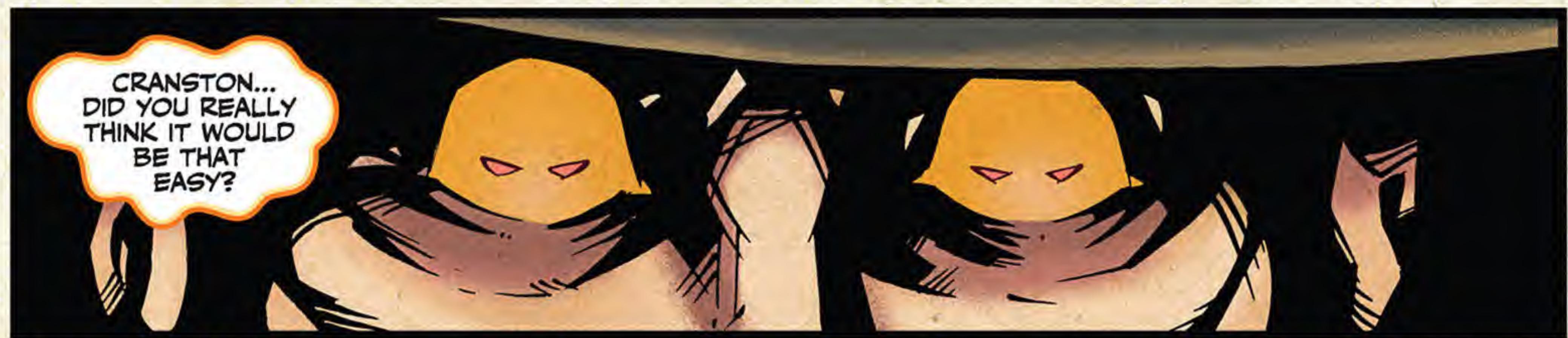




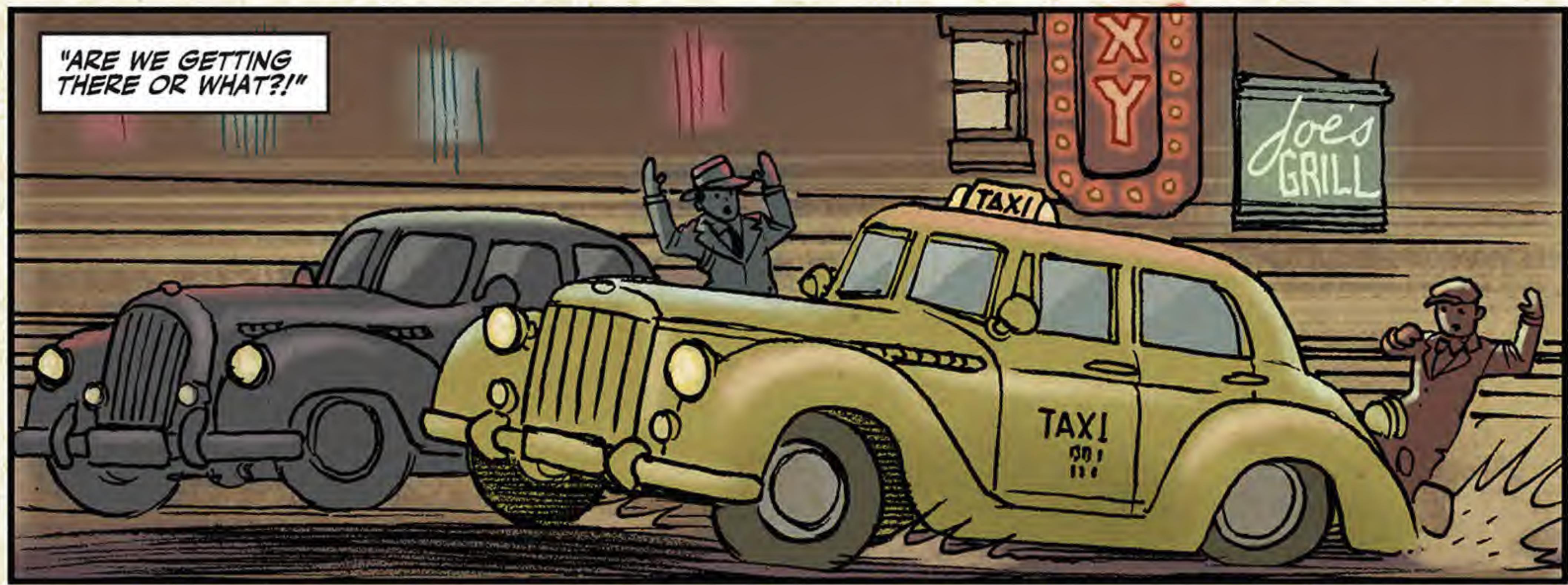








"ARE WE GETTING THERE OR WHAT?!"



TAKE IT EASY, MARGO. YOU GOT THE BEST CAB DRIVER IN NEW YORK HERE— THERE'S NO ONE WHO WILL GET YOU TO THOSE DOCKS FASTER.

IF WE CAN DO IT WITHOUT INDUCING VOMIT, THAT WOULD BE LOVELY.

HEY, I THOUGHT YOU WERE A PILOT!

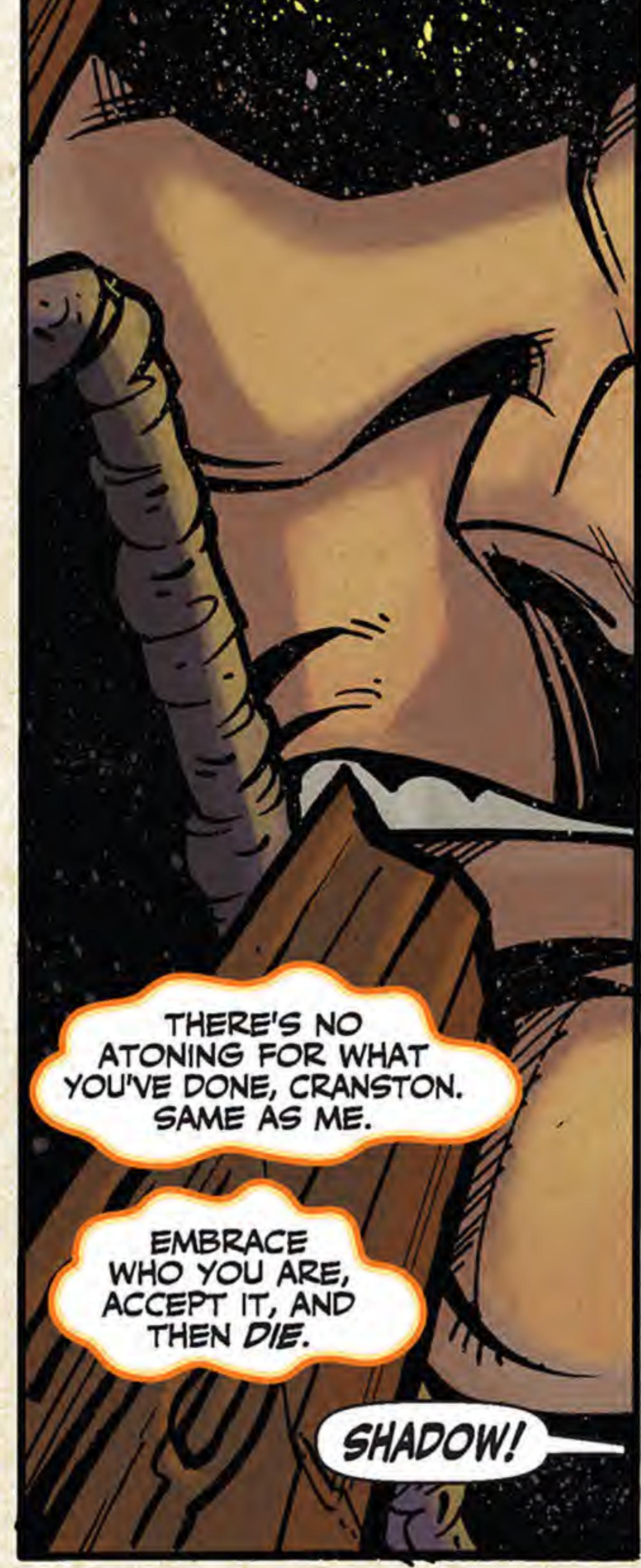
AIR, GOOD. STREET, BAD.

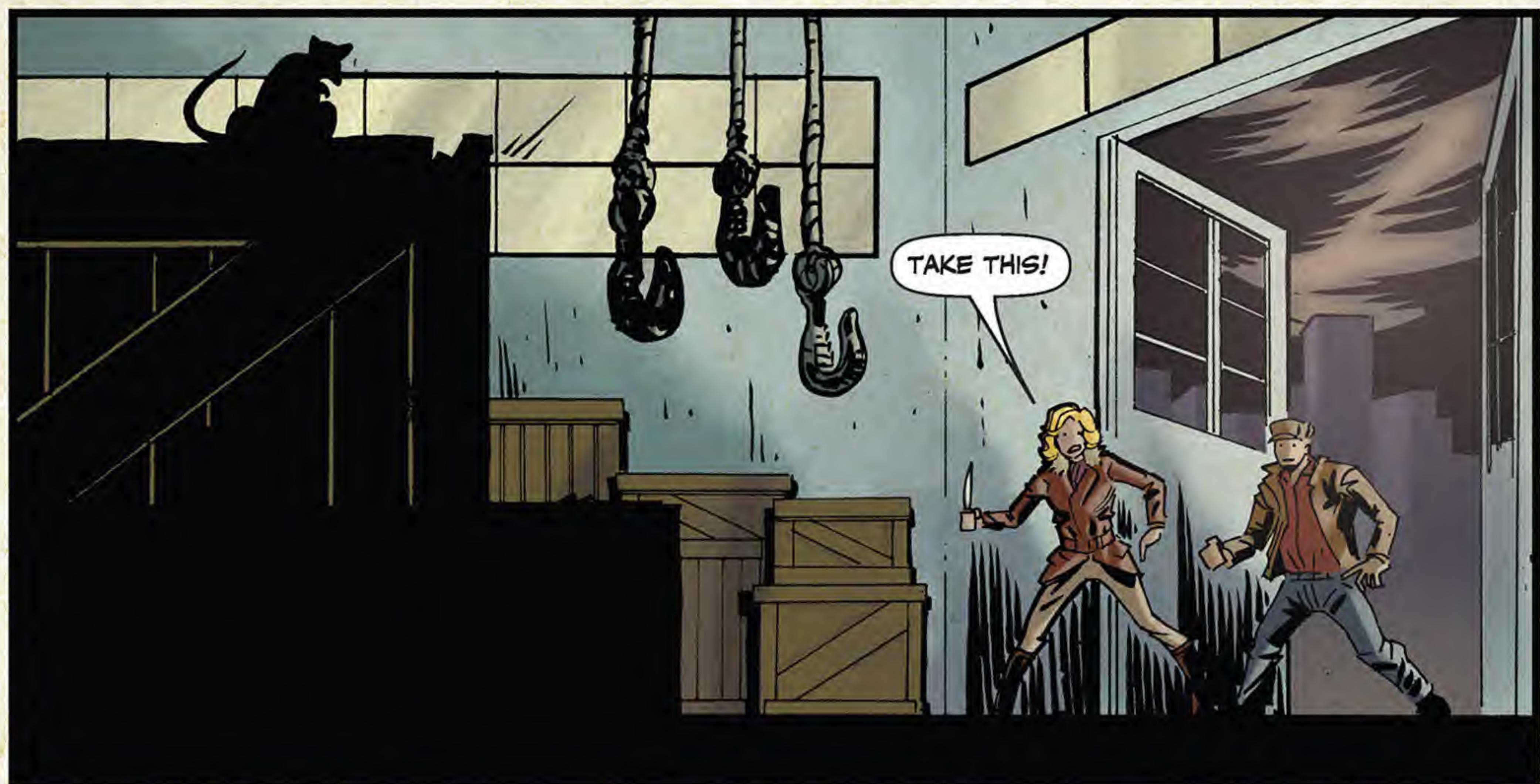
"WELL, DON'T FRET, FLYBOY."

"WE'RE HERE."



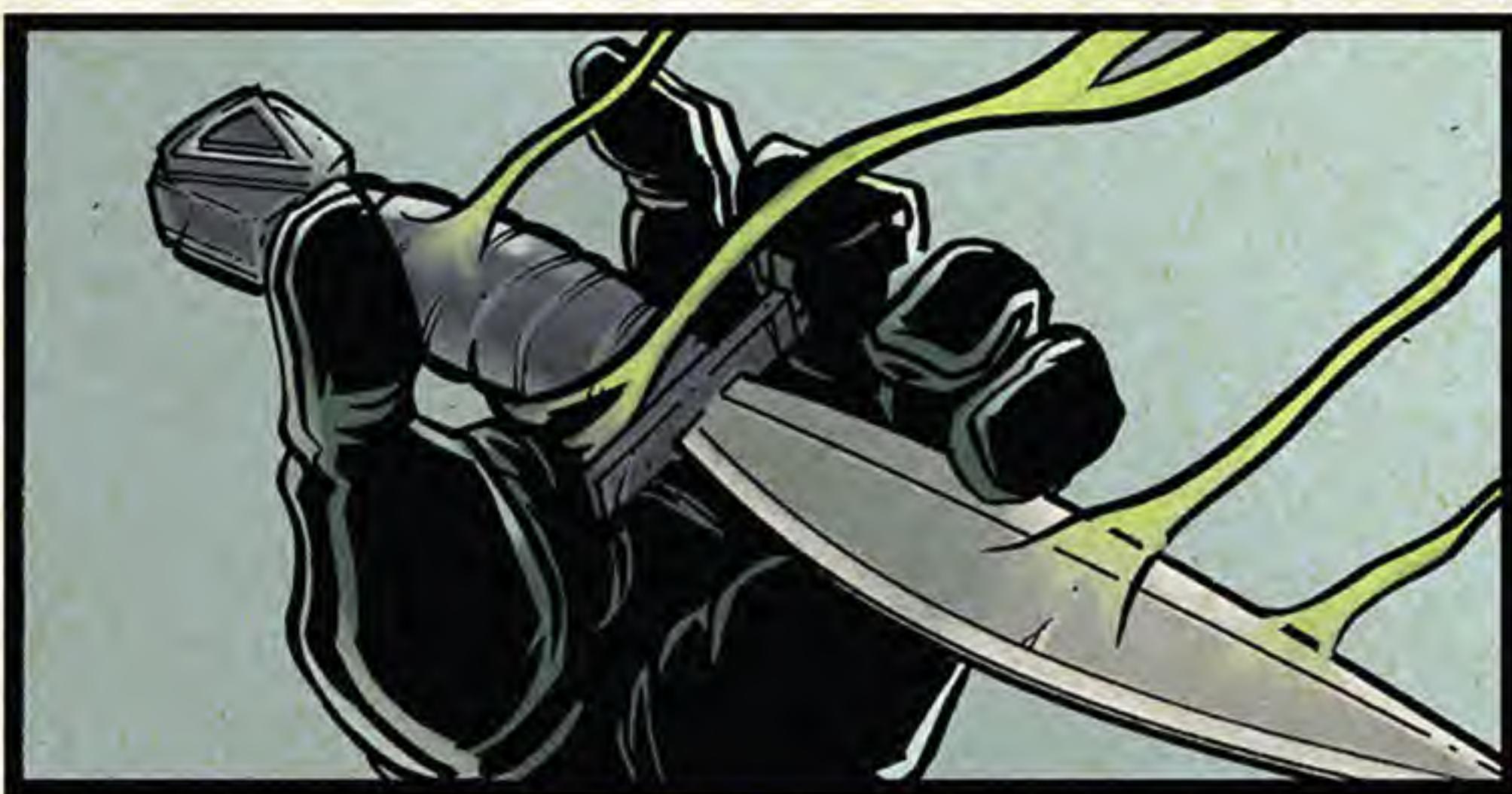






AAAAAHHHH!







CRIME DOESN'T PAY, IT'S DOESN'T SLEEP, IT DOESN'T RELENT. IT WILL COME BACK AGAIN, AND SOON. WHEN THAT DAY COMES, I'LL NEED HELP FROM ALL OF YOU...

THE AGENTS OF THE SHADOW!

THE END...